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## Pet Adoption Application

Thank you for your interest in adopting a pet from the St. Louis County Animal Control Shelter. Although we examine all animals upon entering the shelter and continue to monitor health while they are with us, we cannot guarantee the health, temperament, or certainty of breed. Our goal is to find the best possible match between our pets and potential adopters so we ask that you complete the following application prior to adoption. Please answer every applicable question honestly and accurately. Incomplete applications will not be considered. Please print legibly. Completion of this application does not guarantee you the adoption of an animal in our care. **ADOPTION REQUIREMENTS**: Please be at least 18 years of age, apply electronically via email or in person; and have photo identification. Additional adoption requirements and recommendations may exist.

It is highly recommended to bring children and other dogs to meet the adoptable dogs to make sure everyone gets along before finalizing an adoption.

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Please list all the pet	s currently	in your househol	d and any that y	you have had during	the past 5 years:	None				
Name/Type of Pet:	Pet's current age?	Spayed/Neutered	Inside/Outside Pet?	Where is your pet living now?	Currently on heartworm preventative?	Current on annual vaccines?				

Be aware that every animal is different and some need more adjustment time than others. Dogs need a minimum of 3 WEEKS and up to 3 MONTHS to fully decompress/destress.
What behaviors might you be <u>un</u> willing to work with?
What is your idea of disciplining a pet?
What kind of temperament or characteristics are you looking for in a pet?
What veterinarian's office do you use or plan to use? (Please be specific and include phone#)
If you do not have a veterinarian in mind, we can provide a list of area clinics in St. Louis County.
Please be aware that pets require yearly vaccinations, monthly preventatives and flea/tick treatments. Are you prepared for these additional expenses? $\ Y\ /\ N$
How many children live in the home?What are the children's ages?
Are the children comfortable around animals and understand how to handle the animal kindly?
Have the children been prepared to have a new animal in the home?
Does anyone in the household have allergies?
Have you ever been charged with or convicted of animal abuse, neglect, or cruelty? Y/N  If Yes, Explain:  For Dog Adopters: Have you ever housetrained a dog before? Y/N If yes, what method did you use?
Are you aware that shelter animals may have an unknown history of abuse/neglect or may have behavioral issues that require training? $Y/N$ If so, are you prepared to provide additional training for the pet? $Y/N$
How do you plan to exercise the pet? Both
How will you confine the pet to the property: Leash Tie Out Fence Note: An animal should not be left outside without direct supervision. Doing so may violate St Louis County Revised Ordinances Chapters 611.180; Cruelty to Animals and/or 611.210; Dogs, Cats, Puppies, Kittens and Other Animals Creating a Nuisance Prohibited.  Have you checked with your insurance company regarding coverage of the breed you are interested in? Y / N
For Cat Adopters:  Will the pet be: Outside Only Inside Only Both  Note: An animal should not be left outside without direct supervision. Doing so may violate St Louis County Revised Ordinances Chapters 611.180; Cruelty to Animals and/or 611.210; Dogs, Cats, Puppies, Kittens and Other Animals Creating a Nuisance Prohibited.
Have you ever had a cat or kitten before? $Y \ / \ N$
Have you ever introduced a new cat or kitten to a new home before? $Y/N$
Are you willing to provide proper equipment to deter destructive behavior? (i.e. scratching posts, toys, etc.) $Y/N$
Are you aware that kittens are very social animals and need constant stimulation? $Y/N$
Do you have a playmate for your kitten? $Y \ / \ N$

Would you be willing to adopt 2 kittens so they will have a reliable source of entertainment? Y/N Raising kittens together ensures they will learn how hard to play, how to share territory, how to communicate their needs and many other crucial social skills.

I understand and accept that it is the St. Louis County Animal Care & Control's right to decide which home is most apprindividual pet, and therefore I will not take issue with their decision. I have read the above application carefully and cer have given is accurate and true. I understand that false or omitted information will void my application. I understand that financial obligations for the care of this pet are my responsibility. I am at least 18 years of age and can provide valid pic assume all risks associated with visiting St. Louis County Pet Adoption Center, including but not limited to fall, contact we bites and scratches, and contact with visitors. I realize the risk associated with participating in the visitation of animals at I hereby release St. Louis County Pet Adoption Center for all liability to myself, my family, my pet(s), and my property as with an animal, including interaction in any animal housing area and in the Get Acquainted Rooms.  Adopter's Signature:  Date:  Co-Applicant's Signature:  Date:									nd cert nd tha id pict tact w nals a rty as	tify that aft ture in the pith pind the a re	hat the iny er adoption identificant pets include the adoption esult of int	formation I on ALL tion. I ling pet on process. eraction			
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